(ii) whether the person has any other qualification (*e. g.* Higher Training);

(iii) whether professional qualification (Higher Training) would entitle holders to preference over those with only general qualification;

(*c*) whether the Higher Training Examination has been recognised as equivalent to E. S. L. C. in the matter of appointments &c.; and

(*d*) whether persons with only E. S. L. C. or Vidwan Examinations have been appointed on Rs. 20-2) and Rs. 30-50 in preference to holders of Vidwan qualification with distinction, Higher Training and efficiency certificates?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (*a*) No.

(*b*) (i), (ii), (iii), No.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No.

Statement, by caste, of the clerks in the Education Depart nent.

290. *MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the clerks now in service in the Education Department?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: A * statement is laid on the table.

Statement, by caste, of the graduate teachers.

291. *MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the graduate teachers now in service, who were appointed as per the recommendation of the Public Service Commissioner during the last two years ending with the 1st Dhanu 1115?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: There is no one in service who was so appointed.

Statement, by caste, of the appointments in the Education Department.

292. *MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the persons holding appointments in the Education Department carrying a pay of above Rs. 100?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: A †statement is placed on the table.

State nent, by caste, of appointments in the Education Department.

293. *MR K. KUNJU PANICKAR (*Mavelikara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to furnish a caste-war list of those who were recruited as per Public Service Recruitment Rules up to the 1st August 1939 in Lower and Intermediate divisions in the Education Department in the various Government Primary Malayalam Schools, in the various Malayalam Middle Schools, and in the various Malayalam High Schools in the State?

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* *Vide* Appendix II—Page 618.

† *Vide* Appendix III—Page618.

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MR. A. GOPALA MENON : Government consider that the time and the labour involved in collecting the information are out of proportion to its possible utility.

Iron Bridge, Quilon.

294. ✻ MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Iron Bridge, Quilon, has become unfit for heavy traffic ;

(*b*) for how long it has been in that state ; and

(*c*) whether any proposal is before them of putting up a new one at that place and if so, of what material ?

MR. M. S. DURASWAMI AIYANGAR (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) The bridge has been declared unfit for heavy traffic.

(*b*) From 1-12-1113.

(*c*) An estimate is under scrutiny for the complete renewal of the platform and abutments making use of the exis ing C I piles and R. S. girders. As per the present proposal, the pla form will be of ascu treated wood and will have an increased roadway of 18. The abutments are proposed to be built of rubble masonry.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN (*Quilon cum Kottarakara*) : May I know when the estimate will be taken up for execution ?

MR. M. S. DURASWAMI AIYANGAR : Certain proposals have just been received and are under scrutiny. As soon as the estimate is sanctioned work will be taken up.

Iron Bridge at Quilon.

295. ✻ MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Iron Bridge at Quilon is open to heavy traffic at present ; and

(*b*) if not, why not ?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR : (*a*) No.

(*b*) On account of the unsafe condition of the bridge.

Kottarakara-Ezhukone road.

296. ✻ MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether their attention has been drawn to the necessity of repairing the Kottarakara-Ezhukone road so as to make it cartable ;

(*b*) whether the condition of the said road causes great hardship to the people of Kottarakara ; and

(*c*) what steps have been taken so far ?

MR. M. S. DORASWAMI AIYANGAR : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) and (*c*) Only a portion of the road is cart road, *i. e.*, except the last one mile. The interested people have been required to surrender the necessary lands free. Some special improvements to the extent of Rs. 120 are proposed to be carried out from the current year's maintenance grant.

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